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The following information on Rumanian units in Alba Julia (n 26/ 83) up to 24 January 1950 was obtained:

1. Former 91st Inf Regt Barracks (in the fortress): Occupied by an infantry regiment which had moved to Alba Julia from Arad (n 16/U 06) or Timisoara (n 16/R 91) on an unknown date. Recruits of the regiment were trained with light machine guns ZL, 80 and 120-mm mortars, AT guns and Soviet AT rifles at the so-called "Plateau" (area behind the fortress) on 17 January 1950.*
2. Engineer Barracks (in the fortress): Occupied by a bridge-construction regiment.**
3. Artillery Barracks (in the fortress): Occupied by a heavy artillery battalion, equipped with Skoda prime movers and new Soviet 5-ton ZIL prime movers. The battalion was commanded by Lt Col A. Dimitriu, a Bessarabian.
4. Former Gendarmerie Co Barracks: Occupied by the 1st Training Group of the Militia of the Alba Comitate. The unit numbered about 300 men and was commanded by Maj (Militia) Vrinceanu.

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Comment:

* The infantry regiment, transferred from the Banate to Alba Julia, probably belonged to the 2d Mts Inf Div whose component infantry regiments had been previously stationed in Arad and Timisoara. either component 25X1 units of, or the entire 2d Mts Inf Div, moved from the Banate to Southern Transylvania. Such a transfer is considered probable in connection with the transfer of Soviet troops to the Banate in August 1949.

** The 1st Bridge-Construction Regt was stationed in Alba Julia in 1948 and it is probable that the regiment may have still been in the same quarters in January 1950.

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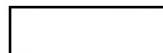
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*** No leads are available for the identification of the reported artillery battalion.

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